

REMARKS

As required by the Examiner, FIGS. 1 and 2 have been amended to include the legends "prior art". These corrected figures are submitted as a replacement sheet replacing former sheet 1. Claims 6-14 are pending in the application with the present amendments. Applicants have canceled claims 1-5, 15 and all of the non-elected claims 16-29 in order to permit the application to proceed to allowance at this time. In the Office Action, claims 1-5, 8-10, and 12-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 or under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over references cited by the Examiner. However, the Examiner indicated that claims 6, 7 and 11 contain allowable subject matter and would be allowable now if amended to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims from which these claims depend.

Accordingly, each of the allowable claims 6, 7 and 11 has now been amended to incorporate all of the features of claim 1 from which they depend, as well as all of the features of the intervening claims. Applicants submit that these claims are now allowable over the cited art. In addition, applicants have amended the remaining claims to depend from certain ones of these allowable claims. Therefore, applicants submit that these claims are also now allowable over the cited art.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for immediate allowance. If for any reason the Examiner has any question regarding the content of this amendment or the allowability of the presently pending claims, he is respectfully requested to contact the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

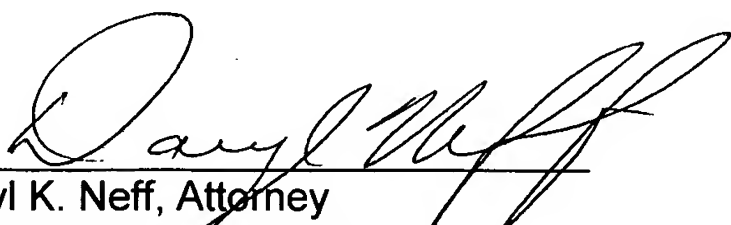
A petition for a one-month extension of time is filed together with this

Amendment. It is believed that no other fee is required with the filing of this Amendment. However, if any such other fee is required, authorization is given to debit the Deposit Account No. 09-0458 of the Assignee for the amount due, and to credit any overpayment to the same account.

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In the Drawings

Please delete sheet 1 and insert the attached sheet 1 labeled "Replacement Sheet" containing corrected FIGS. 1 and 2.